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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

This is in response to the Office Action mailed from the Patent Office on November 20, 2007. Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time until May 20, 2008. Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge the applicable extension fee to Attorney's Deposit Account No.: 50-3081. If any additional fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any such fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No.: 50-3081.

Applicants respectfully request entry of this Response, in which:

- **Amendments to the claims** begin on page 2; and
- **Remarks** begin on page 5.